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THE IMPOSSIBLE MRS. BELLEW ✓

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Adapted by Percy Heath and Monte M. Katterjohn
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"The Impossible Mrs. Bellew"
Dramatic Story of Great Power

The Lance Bellews, a wealthy family whose home is on the Hudson, near New York, live in discord. Lance Bellew, husband and father, finds the apartment of Naomi Templeton a more attractive lounging place than his own home, and the society of its mistress more diverting than that of his wife, Betty, and their little son. Betty is unaware of his infidelity.

Jerry Woodruff, a friend of long standing of the Bellews, is cognizant of the situation, and his sincere desire to prevent a family catastrophe shows itself in numerous kindly and perfectly innocent attentions to Betty and her boy.

Naomi sets out to make Bellew suspicious of his wife's relations with Woodruff, hop-

lews, infuriated by Woodruff's contempt, shoots and kills Jerry.

The efforts of Lance Bellew's relatives to persuade Betty to testify at his trial are fruitless; but a clever lawyer, by working on her love for her little son, wins her consent to this program. And then the lawyer achieves the acquittal of Lance by convincing the jury that the killing of Woodruff was justified. Betty finds that while her husband remains unpunished her own reputation is blasted.

Bellew, anxious to punish and humiliate Betty, sues her for a divorce and gets a decree. The referee decides that Betty is not a fit person to rear her child, and awards the custody of little Lance to his father.

Rendered desperate by this injustice, Betty attempts to kidnap her boy. He is torn from her as a transatlantic liner is in Long Island Sound, ready to start for Europe. Aboard the liner is John Helstan, a young writer, and his father, the Rev. Dr. Helstan. Young Helstan's sympathies are aroused by the plight of Betty. At Deauville, where they all go, Betty learns that the world is a hard place for a woman with such a reputation as that which has darkened her life. She is known as "The Impossible Mrs. Bellew," a name which comes after Alice Granville snubs her because of jealousy over Betty's attraction for Grand Duke Rostoy de Varnak, a notorious rouse, who becomes infatuated with her.

John continues to defend Betty. Rev. Dr. Helstan, however, sees the trend of things and suggests a separation. Betty plans to bring this about by disgusting John with her conduct at a party given by the Duke. Meantime, Lance Bellew, married to Naomi, has learned the meaning of suffering and neglect. Aunt Agatha, repentant of her actions towards Betty in securing false testimony at the trial, quarrels with her son, takes little Lance and goes to Europe.

At Deauville she meets Rev. Dr. Helstan and tells him the truth regarding Betty. John returns from the party convinced that what the world says about Betty is true. He is told the truth, and returns to the Grand Duke's mansion just in time to rescue Betty from the embraces of the rouse.

Betty, the child and John are reunited in the apartment of Dr. Helstan. A new and happier life opens itself out for "The Impossible Mrs. Bellew."

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